

TOWN OF FALMOUTH

Minutes of a Meeting of the Falmouth Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Falmouth on Monday 13th July 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Councillors: I J Body, (Deputy Mayor in the Chair), A K Ayres, Mrs A J Biggins, G W Chin-Quee, O K Cramp, Mrs M Davies, B Elliott, S D Eva, Mrs V E Eva, G F Evans, Ms D E Merrett, D J Noakes, Mrs M Ryan and Dr D A Sterratt

In Attendance: A M Williams (Town Clerk)
S J Polglase (Deputy Clerk and Finance Officer)
Inspector Trott (Falmouth Police)
Reverend B Bennetts (Mayor's Chaplin)

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C3687 APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received and approved from Councillor Mrs Booth (who was attending her son's graduation)

Miss Molly Hull Falmouth Youth Council representative also submitted an apology for absence.

C3688 INTERESTS

None received

C3689 MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor Ms Merrett, seconded by Councillor S D Eva and

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Town Council meetings held on the 8th and 29th June 2009 Parts I and II be confirmed as correct records and signed by the Chairman.

C3690 DEPUTY TOWN MAYORS REPORT

The Deputy Town Mayor reported correspondence from Julia Goldsworthy MP regarding the Falmouth Port Initiative. He thanked those Councillors who had assisted him following the resignation of the Town Mayor.

C3691 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

None received.

C3692 TOWN MAYOR

The Deputy Mayor invited Councillors who wished to be considered for the office of Town Mayor to address the Council. Councillors Elliott, Mrs Ryan and Evans did so. He then sought nominations for Mayor. Two valid nominations were received and at the request of two Councillors a recorded vote was undertaken.

It was proposed by Councillor Noakes, seconded by Councillor Chin-Quee and

RESOLVED that Councillor Geoffrey Frank Evans be elected Town Mayor for the remainder of the Municipal Year.

Those voted for the MOTION: Councillors Ayres, Mrs Biggins, Chin-Quee, Cramp, S D Eva, Mrs V E Eva, Evans, Merrett and Noakes (9). Those against: Councillors Body, Mrs Davies, Mrs Ryan and Sterratt (4). Councillor Elliott abstained (1).

A MOTION proposed by Councillor Sterratt and seconded by Councillor Mrs Davies that Councillor Mrs Ryan be elected Town Mayor was lost as per the above record.

The Deputy Mayor then called a brief adjournment and subsequently Councillor Evans took the Chair. Councillor S D Eva thanked the Deputy Mayor for his efforts.

Councillor Evans duly read and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Town Mayor and thanked the Council for its support. He undertook to continue the good work currently being undertaken in the Community.

C3693 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Finance and General Purposes Committee report dated 6th July 2009 was presented by Councillor Mrs V E Eva, Vice-Chair of the Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs V E Eva, seconded by Councillor Ayres and

RESOLVED that the Part I of the report of the Committee dated 6th July 2009 be approved subject to the amendment of Minute F3738 (i) to include "...harbour, waterfront..." after "shoreline".

The Vice-Chair of the Committee updated the Council in regard to Minute F3739. A van had now been acquired and existing Cemetery budget would be utilised and not General Fund Reserves.

The Planning Committee report dated 8th June 2009 was presented by Councillor Ms Merrett, Vice-Chair of the Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor Ms Merrett, seconded by Councillor S D Eva and

RESOLVED that the report of the Committee dated 8th June 2009 be approved.

The Planning Committee report dated 29th June 2009 was presented by Councillor Ms Merrett, Vice-Chair of the Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor Ms Merrett, seconded by Councillor S D Eva and

RESOLVED that the report of the Committee dated 29th June 2009 be approved.

C3694 **CORNWALL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS – LARGE LOCAL COUNCILS GROUP**

The minutes of the meeting held on 24th June 2009 were duly noted.

C3695 **CORNWALL COUNCILLORS**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Biggins, seconded by Councillor Davies and

RESOLVED that Councillor Cramp fills the vacancy on the Planning Committee.

It was duly noted the Councillors Ms Booth had been appointed Chairman, and Ms Merrett Vice-Chairman, of the Planning Committee.

C3696 COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT

Inspector Trott provided a Community Police report. The local team was currently rated in first place in regard to crime reduction and was the only sector performing above target in Cornwall. Further the PACT process had been revisited and amended to better enable the development of community priorities. Cornwall Council would provide secretarial support. Finally he updated upon the Street Pastors Scheme and invited Councillors to the launch on 22nd July 2009.

The Town Mayor congratulated Inspector Trott and his team and Inspector Trott responded to questions.

C3697 TOWN MANAGEMENT REPORT

The Town Clerk presented the Town Management report which was duly noted and forms part of these minutes.

C3698 TOWN CLERKS REPORT

The Town Clerks report was duly noted and forms part of these minutes.

C3699 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was proposed by Councillor S D Eva, seconded by Councillor Noakes and

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be excluded from the meeting.